

A Family Affair (Assembly-Line Art)

Standards: 3 and 5

Concepts: Line and shape

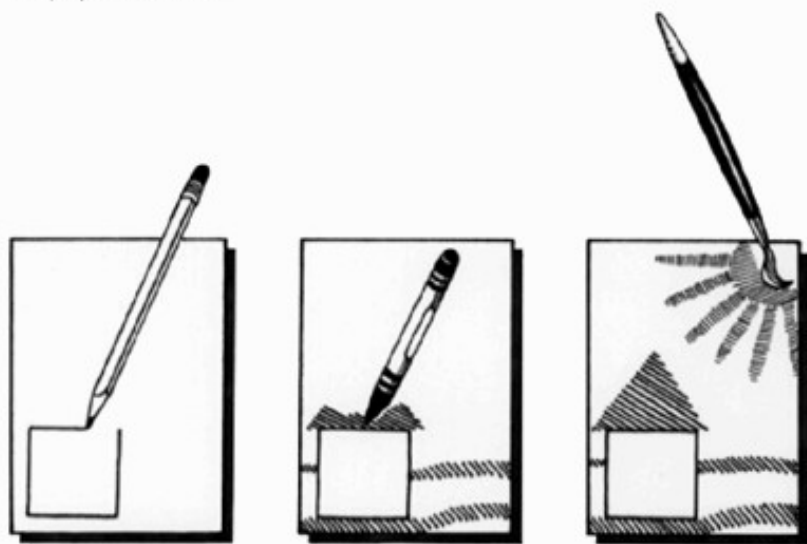
Level: Pre K-3

Description:

Every member of the family will add his or her own special touch to a picture, in assembly-line fashion.

Materials:

white paper, markers



Procedure:

This project is fun for the whole family. Have your child start to draw an image. After 60 seconds, have him pass the drawing to a family member, who also has 60 seconds to draw. Continue until all family members have had a chance to express their artistic vision. When the picture is finished, each person will tell why he added the things he did to the picture. Take this opportunity to discuss how people look at things differently and have their own way of expressing themselves artistically. Play the game again. This time have your child finish the painting instead of beginning it.

Artist Tie-in:

In 1473, the young Leonardo da Vinci painted one of the angels in a large composition by his master, Andrea del Verrocchio. Often young artists worked as assistants to older, established masters on large and important works of art.

Extension:

Do the same project, but give each family member a different art medium to work with. Everyone should have a chance to work with each medium.

Just for Kids:

Today you are going to have fun with the whole family. You are going to start drawing a picture. You have only one minute to do your part of the picture, then you will pass it on to the next person. Each person has a time limit of one minute. The last person will finish the picture. Did the picture look like you expected it to? How would you have finished the picture? Let's try it again, but this time you finish the picture.